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### DATEBOOK

1. The next WSKF Practice is Friday, February 3, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at Northwest.
2. The March WSKF Practice is Sunday, March 5, 3:00 to 5:30 p.m., at Seattle.
3. The next WSKF Board meeting is Sunday, March 5, 6:00 p.m., at Imperial Lanes.

### PASSAGE

Kendo lost a dear and loyal friend with the death on January 22 of Tomo Shoji. She believed in kendo, and supported it with interest and enthusiasm in many ways, including proud furtherance of husband, son, and grandchildren in the art, and hard work in the kitchen every year preparing the massive amounts of food served at the annual WSKF Taikai. She held up high standards for kenshi to live up to by telling friends and acquaintances how wonderful people in kendo were. Speaking at the recent Taikai in honor of her late husband, she gave us the benefit of her own perspective on kendo philosophy by emphasizing that Shoji Sensei "wasn't political - he just loved kendo." By her own personal example this artist-activist also leaves us with another lesson - tireless devotion to community service and the endless encouragement of others to keep up the fight - and always with a sense of humor! We extend our deepest sympathy to the family, devastated by the loss of both parents in only a few weeks.

### 25th ANNUAL VANCOUVER CANADIAN OPEN KENDO TOURNAMENT - JANUARY 21, 1989

#### 9 and Under Eliminations

1st place - M. Taguchi, Sunrise  
2nd place - R. Shirahama, Renbu

#### 13 - 15 Eliminations

1st place - D. Taguchi, Sunrise  
2nd place - T. Nomura, Renbu

#### Women's Eliminations

1st place - W. Nakano, Vancouver  
2nd place - J. Kurahashi, Renbu

#### 1st and 2nd Dan Eliminations

1st place - M. Asaoka, Sunrise  
2nd place - S. Asaoka, Sunrise

#### Grand Champion

M. Noda, Vancouver

#### 10 - 12 Eliminations

1st place - H. Tsujimoto, Sunrise  
2nd place - D. Nakata, Steveston

#### Junior Team Eliminations

1st place - Sunrise  
2nd place - Vancouver A

#### Non-Degree Eliminations

1st place - B. McCarry, Highline  
2nd place - T. Johnson, Tacoma

#### 3rd Dan and Above Eliminations

1st place - M. Noda, Vancouver  
2nd place - T. Miyauchi, UBC

#### Senior Team Eliminations

1st place - Vancouver  
2nd place - Steveston A

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## WSKF PRACTICE SHIAIGEIKO STANDINGS

Each month we will be giving you the running scores accumulated by participants in the tournament competition. Attendance counts too, so every time you join in the practice you'll automatically receive two points in addition to whatever points you happen to win in the actual matches.

Mudansha: DeJong - 12; McCarry - 10; Davis - 8; Willy - 3; Hasuike - 3;  
Swenson - 3; Mayhew - 3; Risher - 2; Kurima - 2; Lazo - 2;  
Kawase - 2; Smith - 2; J. Brennan - 2; Wahjadi - 2.  
Yudansha: Ogushi - 8; C. Marsten - 7; Sugawara - 7; Anderson - 4; Chin - 4;  
Konno - 3; Lu - 3; Yabe - 2; Yotsuuye - 2; J. Marsten - 2;  
Bucholtz - 2; Bolling - 2; Elliott - 2; V. Marsten - 2; N. Shoji - 2.

## IAIDO NEWS

On January 14 iaido members gathered at the home of Aniceto Seto. Election of officers was held, with Linda Johnston Murosako elected Chair, Ken Carpenter re-elected Treasurer, and Scott Ramirez elected Secretary.

Plans for inviting an iai sensei to come from Japan this summer to conduct a seminar are developing nicely. Tentative dates are the week of June 19 through June 25. This seminar will be open to all iai students throughout the KFUSA. Mr. Seto is the chair in charge of the iaido seminar.

The January 14 meeting was also the occasion of a gala potluck honoring Murosako Sensei, and the Setos showed slides of their recent bicycle trip through China.

## IKF SUMMER CAMP - JULY 24 THROUGH AUGUST 3, 1989

Candidates shodan or above and at least 21 years of age who can make a firm promise to go are invited to apply to the WSKF Board to attend the annual two-week camp in Japan. Participants receive intensive training in all aspects of kendo from some of the leading teachers in the world, and practice with kenshi of many nations. Interested persons must submit a résumé by the next WSKF Board meeting on March 5.

## THE LAST WORD

"No matter what secretly transmitted technique you may use, if you allow your mind to tarry on it, you will lose your fight. Be it your opponent's move or your own, in slashing and thrusting, the important thing is to train your mind so that it may not tarry in anything." --Yagyu Munenori, Heiho Kaden Sho.